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On 6 October 1953, a train carrying about 10 trucks, 3 jeeps; and including about 30 boxcars, some of them occupied by troops, passed through the Wustermark railroad station, coming from the direction of Rathenow. At 12:30 p.m., a train carrying 2 trucks and 2 jeeps [redacted] and including about 40 boxcars occupied by troops was seen in Schoenhausen, coming from the direction of Rathenow. At noon, a train which presumably was loaded in Stendal carried 10 JS-3 tanks [redacted] about 4 trucks and 1 jeep included some boxcars, and left Stendal toward east. At 12:45 p.m., a train carrying about 18 x 37-mm AA guns, about 30 trucks [redacted] and including 10 to 12 boxcars occupied by troops, which presumably had been loaded there, was sidetracked in Tangerhuetten. At 1 p.m., a train carrying 10 JS-3 tanks, about 10 SP guns, about 20 T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 15 to 20 trucks, 6 radio trucks, 2 field kit-chens and jeep [redacted] which presumably had been loaded there, was seen sidetracked at the Mahlwinkel railroad station. At 1:15 p.m., a shipment of 10 light field guns, 10 x 122-mm field howitzers, about 20 trucks and 5 boxcars passed through the Angern-Rogaetz railroad station, proceeding toward Stendal. At 1:50 p.m., 8 trucks with pontoons, 1 motorboat and about 30 trucks carrying bridge building material [redacted] were entrained at the Wolmirstedt railroad station and left toward Stendal. At 2:30 p.m., 4 BA-64 armored scout cars, and about 30 to 40 trucks carrying bridge building material [redacted] were entrained in Wolmirstedt and were sidetracked after the loading. At 3 p.m., 40 trucks carrying bridge building equipment; about 10 tank trucks [redacted] radio truck [redacted] 3 jeeps, 1 x 76.2-mm field gun, 1 x 57-mm AT guns and 1 x 122-mm field howitzer were entrained in Wolmirstedt. At 5:30 p.m., a shipment of 12 JSU-122 guns, 2 jeeps and 2 trucks [redacted] passed through the Stendal railroad station, coming from the direction of Tangerhuetten and proceeding westward. At 7 p.m., a shipment of about 35 T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 12 JS-3 tanks, 1 radio truck and 5 box-carloads of troops arrived at the Buschow railroad station, coming from the direction of Wustermark. At 9:45 a.m. on 7 October, a shipment of about 30 T-34/85 tanks [redacted] and about 4 T-34 tank chassis arrived in Wustermark from the direction of Rathenow. At 10 a.m., a shipment of 6 to 8 x 76.2-mm AT guns, 2 x 57-mm AT guns, 3 to 5 BA-64 armored scout cars and 10 to 12 trucks [redacted] passed through the Buschow railroad station, proceeding toward Wustermark. After 15 minutes, it was followed by a shipment of

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12 JS-3 tanks [redacted] and about 15 T-34/85 tanks. At 10:30 a.m., a shipment of 11 JS-3 tanks [redacted] 6 to 8 JSU-122 guns and 3 T-34 tank chassis passed through Rathenow, proceeding toward Wustermark. After some minutes, it was followed by a shipment of 6 x 37-mm AA guns, 3 to 4 BA-64 armored scout cars, 6 half-track vehicles mounting twin-barreled AA guns of about 20 mm, 8 half-track vehicles mounting 20-mm AA guns and individual trucks. At 11 a.m., a train of 34 boxcars occupied by troops and carrying 1 truck [redacted] passed through the Schenker-Damm railroad station, proceeding toward Wustermark. At 1:30 p.m., a train carrying 8 to 10 trucks with pontoons, 4 BA-64 armored scout cars, 15 to 20 trucks, [redacted]

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[redacted] and ambulance [redacted] and including several boxcars was seen sidetracked at the Wolmirstedt railroad station, presumably after it had been loaded there. At 1:30 p.m., a train carrying 6 to 8 trucks with pontoons, about 5 tank trucks [redacted] 10 to 15 trucks [redacted] and a sizable amount of beams and boards was seen sidetracked at the Wolmirstedt railroad station. At 6:30 p.m., a shipment of about 25 trucks carrying bridge building equipment passed through the Brandenburg railroad station. [redacted]

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Comment. [redacted] a total of 20 trains, which probably included 17 trains which, with units of the 10th Gds Tank Div, went from Letzling Heath to Satzborn. It is, however, possible that some of the shipments were observed several times. [redacted] 19 trains with units of the division went from Letzling Heath to Satzborn and/or Priort between 5 and 7 October. [redacted]

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The shipments at 12:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. on 6 October which according to the present report, went vice versa and the shipment which, at 6:30 p.m. on 7 October, passed through Brandenburg, cannot be accounted for. The two first mentioned shipments are believed to have gone toward east, rather than west the more as the train at 7 p.m. on 6 October probably carried tanks of the division.